

Topic: Veteran Owned Businesses  
 Question by: Maureen E. Ewing  
 Jurisdiction: Rhode Island  
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<b>Manitoba</b>	
<b>Corporations Canada</b>	
<b>Alabama</b>	
<b>Alaska</b>	
<b>Arizona</b>	Arizona does not gather or record this information.
<b>Arkansas</b>	
<b>California</b>	
<b>Colorado</b>	<p>Colorado: today answer is no.</p> <p>Effective January 1, 2014 we are to start gathering information from reporting entities pertaining to several criteria, including veteran status. We haven't decided yet as to how we are going to collect this data.</p>
<b>Connecticut</b>	<p>Connecticut is technically a "NO," as of now. There are plans in place to develop a business data center through my division which will begin to collect additional information on businesses, from the businesses themselves and from various other sources (information sharing with other agencies, for example). I am in the process of designing a short electronic questionnaire that entities will fill out when they log in to file their annual reports online (online Report filing is now mandatory in CT). One of the questions on the questionnaire is designed to elicit information from entities about whether they meet any of those classifications. It will be a voluntary self-reporting system and the responses will NOT be kept as part of the official public record of entities, but the information will be collected and kept for statistical reporting and economic development purposes.</p>
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<b>District of Columbia</b>	<p>In the District of Columbia we do not collect that information.</p> <p>However, another agency called Department of Small and Local Business Development collects that information.</p> <p>They have program called Certified Business Enterprise (CBE) – here is the link: <a href="http://dslbd.dc.gov/service/cbe-program">http://dslbd.dc.gov/service/cbe-program</a></p>
<b>Florida</b>	<p>The Florida Department of State does not. Minority business information is maintained by the Department of Management Services in the state of Florida.</p>
<b>Georgia</b>	
<b>Hawaii</b>	<p>No in Hawaii.</p>
<b>Idaho</b>	
<b>Illinois</b>	
<b>Indiana</b>	<p>IN same as OH.</p>
<b>Iowa</b>	
<b>Kansas</b>	
<b>Kentucky</b>	
<b>Louisiana</b>	<p>No for Louisiana</p>
<b>Maine</b>	
<b>Maryland</b>	
<b>Massachusetts</b>	<p>No for Massachusetts</p>
<b>Michigan</b>	
<b>Minnesota</b>	
<b>Mississippi</b>	
<b>Missouri</b>	<p>Missouri is no.</p>
<b>Montana</b>	<p>The Montana Secretary of State's office does not maintain records regarding the ethnic/military/sex status of the people who file business names with this office.</p>
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<b>Nevada</b>	The Nevada Secretary of State does not collect this information.
<b>New Hampshire</b>	
<b>New Jersey</b>	
<b>New Mexico</b>	
<b>New York</b>	
<b>North Carolina</b>	
<b>North Dakota</b>	North Dakota is a NO.
<b>Ohio</b>	No, our office does not gather this data.
<b>Oklahoma</b>	Oklahoma does not gather this information
<b>Oregon</b>	
<b>Pennsylvania</b>	No. There is nothing like that in the corporate record maintained by the Pennsylvania Department of State.
<b>Rhode Island</b>	
<b>South Carolina</b>	
<b>South Dakota</b>	South Dakota is No
<b>Tennessee</b>	Tennessee's Business Services Division does not collect this information.
<b>Texas</b>	
<b>Utah</b>	Utah is yes, but it is voluntary so we don't know how many choose not to answer.
<b>Vermont</b>	
<b>Virginia</b>	In Virginia, this information is not a part of a business entity's records with the Commission.
<b>Washington</b>	No from Washington State
<b>West Virginia</b>	
<b>Wisconsin</b>	Our office in Wisconsin does not record or maintain this information.

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**Additional comments:**

**Full text of email:**

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Thank you!!

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